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SUBJECT: NORTH KOREAN ACTIVITIES REGARDING NONALIGNED CONFERENCE

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1. INFORMATION CONTAINED REFTTEL RELAYED TO FOREIGN MINISTRY
UN DIVISION DIRECTOR YI CHONG-PIN MARCH 10.
2. YI EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR INFORMATION. HE ADVISED
THAT ROKG UNDERSTOOD NORTH KOREANS HAD REQUESTED OBSERVER
STATUS AT NON-ALIGNED COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING IN
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KABUL NEXT MONTH, AND HAD ASKED YUGOSLAV GOVERNMENT TO
INCLUDE KOREAN QUESTION ON AGENDA FOR BELGRADE MEETING THIS
SUMMER. YI ALSO REPORTED ROKG UNDERSTOOD THAT A
WORKING GROUP HAD BEEN FORMED IN NEW YORK TO PREPARE
FOR COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING, CONSISTING OF
REPRESENTATIVES OF ALGERIA, YUGOSLAVIA, SRI LANKA,
AFGHANISTAN, AND THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION. THIS

GROUP REPORTEDLY HELD ITS FIRST MEETING ON MARCH 8
AND MORE SESSIONS WERE EXPECTED.

3. SAME DAY DIRECTOR KIM CHAE-YONG OF INFORMATION
DIVISION II (RESPONSIBLE FOR NORTH KOREAN AFFAIRS) ADVISED
THAT VISIT BY KIM IL-SONG TO RANGOON IN APRIL NOW
REGARDED AS FIXED. ACCORDING TO ROK REPORTS VICE
PREMIER KONG CHIN-TAE HAD PROPOSED THE FINAL ARRANGEMENTS
DURING HIS RECENT VISIT TO RANGOON AND NE WIN HAD
ALLEGEDLY REPLIED THAT HE WAS AGREEALBE "SUBJECT TO HIS
BEING REELECTED".

4. DIRECTOR KIM ADDED THAT IT WAS CUSTOMARY FOR KIM IL-
SONG TO VISIT SEVERAL COUNTRIES WHEN HE WENT ABROAD,
AND THAT ROK RECORDS INDICATE KIM HAS OUTSTANDING
INVITATIONS FROM PAKISTAN, MADAGASCAR, LAOS, CAMBODIA,
EAST GERMANY, YUGOSLAVIA, AND EQUATORIAL GUINEA. KIM
SAID THEY WERE WATCHING CLOSELY FOR INDICATIONS AS TO
WHICH OF THESE KIM IL-SONG MIGHT GRACE WITH HIS PRESENCE.
HE NOTED THAT PAK SONG-CH'OL HAD ADDED PAKISTAN TO HIS
ITINERARY FAIRLY LATE IN HIS PRESENT TRIP TO AFRICA AND
THE MIDDLE EAST, AND SPECULATED THAT ISLAMABAD MIGHT
BE A LIKELY TARGET FOR KIM IL-SONG TRAVEL.
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